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Guido GRANDI et al.

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For: ENHANCEMENT OF BACTERICIDAL  
ACTIVITY OF NEISSERIA ANTIGENS WITH  
OLIGONUCLEOTIDES CONTAINING CG  
MOTIFS

Examiner: N. Minnifield

AMENDMENT (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.111)

MS RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated January 11, 2006 (Paper No. 01092006), for which a response was timely filed on July 10, 2006 with a Notice of Appeal and a Petition for a three-month's extension of time. Filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination and a Petition and fee for a five-month's extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to February 10, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.